



Pittsylvania County Schools Graduate of Merit Program

Application



Must be submitted to guidance by

- ★ Last day of September, senior year for EARLY CANDIDATE CONSIDERATION (includes completed application and community service log to date) **OR**
- ★ Last day of first semester, senior year

Type or print legibly

Applicant's Full Name _____
(Last) (First) (M.I.)

Present Address _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Telephone Number (____) _____ Present Grade _____

High School Chatham Dan River Gretna Tunstall

CATEGORIES:

A - FINAL GRADE POINT AVERAGE (10 points per year with 3.0 or better average)						
	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th	Final GPA *	GRAND TOTAL ** of Points Earned
GPA						
Total Points						

*Add **one** additional point for each tenth of a point cumulative average above 3.0 after **final** 12th grade GPA averages have been calculated.

9th grade points + 10th grade points + 11th grade points + 12th grade points + Final GPA Points = **Grand Total in Category A

B - TOTAL COURSES (5 points per year in which student takes a full complement of credit-bearing classes)					
	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th	GRAND TOTAL * of Points Earned
Total Courses					
Total Points					

*9th grade points + 10th grade points + 11th grade points + 12th grade points = **Grand Total in Category B**

C - COURSE WORK (5 points per year in which all courses are passed)					
	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th	GRAND TOTAL * of Points Earned
Taken					
Passed					
Total Points					

*9th grade points + 10th grade points + 11th grade points + 12th grade points = **Grand Total in Category C.**

D - ATTENDANCE (5 points per year with 95% or above attendance average)						
	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th	Final Attendance Average*	GRAND TOTAL ** of Points Earned
ATT						
Total Points						

*Add **one** additional point for each percent above 95% for the four-year **cumulative average**.

9th grade points + 10th grade points + 11th grade points + 12th grade points + Final Attendance Points = **Grand Total in Category D

E - CONDUCT (5 points per year absent bus suspensions and/or out-of-school suspensions)					
	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th	GRAND TOTAL * of Points Earned
Bus Suspensions					
School Suspensions					
Total Points					

*9th grade points + 10th grade points + 11th grade points + 12th grade points = **Grand Total in Category E**

F - COMMUNITY SERVICE (10 points per 25 hours of community service) – MAXIMUM 50 POINTS (Additional community services hours beyond the maximum are advantageous to students for scholarships and may be used for possible tie breaker in awards.)					
	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th	GRAND TOTAL * of Points Earned
Hours					
Total Points					

*9th grade points + 10th grade points + 11th grade points + 12th grade points = **Grand Total in Category F**

G – SCHOOL ACTIVITIES (5 points per year in which student participates in four or more activities [participation shall be defined as a member in good standing])					
	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th	GRAND TOTAL * of Points Earned
Activities					
Total Points					

*9th grade points + 10th grade points + 11th grade points + 12th grade points = **Grand Total in Category G**

GRAND TOTAL of Points Earned From All Categories Beginning with the Graduating Class of 2013 , the student is required to earn a minimum of 170 total points to qualify.	

GUIDELINES:

- ◆ Students must earn a minimum of **170** points to qualify.
- ◆ Points must be earned from each category.
- ◆ Community service is defined as volunteer or non-paying activities (home, church, and community) performed that are beneficial to both parties.
 - ✓ Community service would be validated at the end of each 25 hours earned and documented on the form provided.
 - ✓ Community service hours earned as part of the requirements in other organizations would not be counted towards **Graduate of Merit** certification.